

Ferrata Ettore Bovero




AREA

Dolomites – Tofane

PEAK

Col Rosa'

FACE

West – southwest

ALTITUDE

2160 m

DIFFICULTY

Difficult

TIME

5 hours

BEAUTY

3

DESCRIPTION OF DIFFICULTY

Exposed but short itinerary for which a high level of experience is required.

TOTAL ASCENT

900 m

FERRATA ASCENT

200 m

PERIOD

From May to October, owing to its favourable position and low altitude.

POPULARITY

High

GEAR

Normal via ferrata kit.

INTRODUCTION

This beautiful, tough ferrata crosses the exposed southwest face of the Col Rosà, the isolated rocky peak between the Tofane and Pomagagnon. Though the vertical climb (completely equipped) is short it gives the expert mountaineer immense satisfaction. On reaching the summit there is an unexpected view onto the valley and the cloister formed by Cortina's mountains.

GETTING THERE

From Cortina head northwards along the Fiames/Podestagno road. Park at Camping Olympia.

ACCESS

Skirting Camping Olympia (1290m) first follow the forestry road (no. 417); then take path 408 which follows a steep, winding route through the Val Fiorenza woods towards Passo Pospòrcora (1720m 1 hour 30 min). From here continue right along a steep track through the pine trees up to the start of the ferrata near a cave.

ASCENT

From the sign for the ferrata ascend past rocks and pine trees to the steep arête which, looking towards the Boite Valley and Cortina, clearly indicates the line of the ferrata. The cables begin at this point and lead directly to a shoulder (pine trees) and then the summit.

From this start ascend a steep section to then continue on bare rocks in the middle of the arête. Once passed a chimney and

a short, exposed traverse, ascend the fun rocky steps that lead to the trees and terrace beneath the summit. With the help of iron rungs climbed quickly up the final wall to, enjoy the fantastic panorama over Cortina.

DESCENT

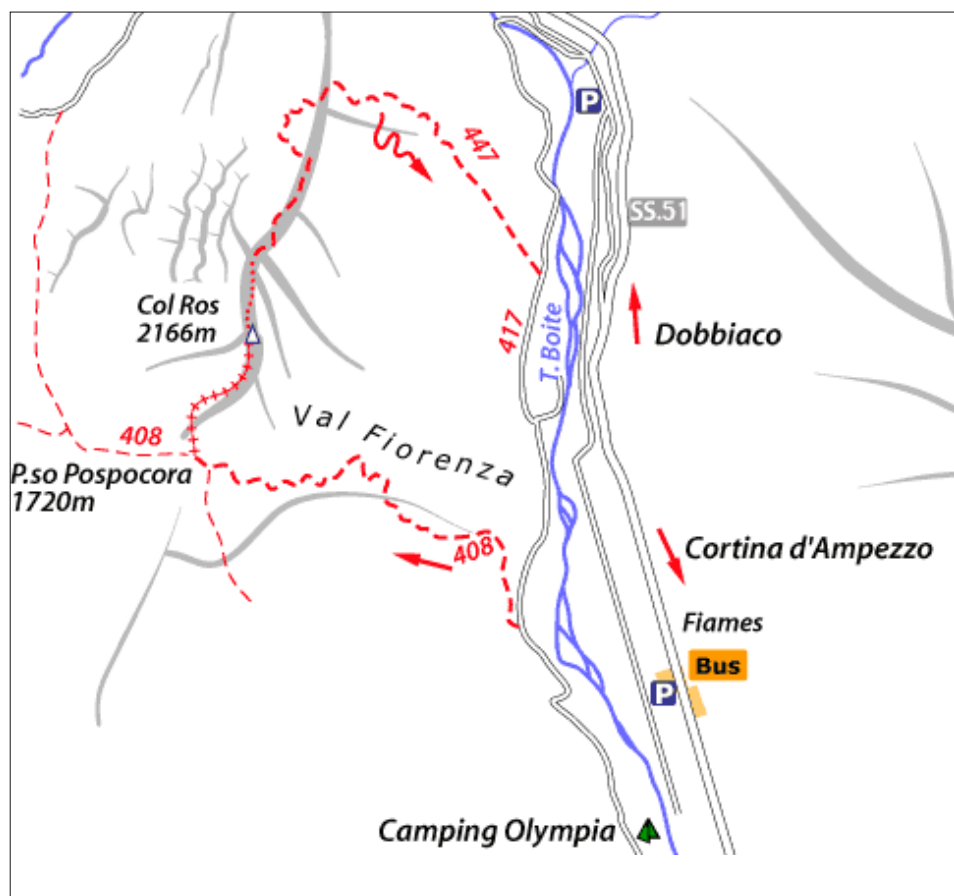
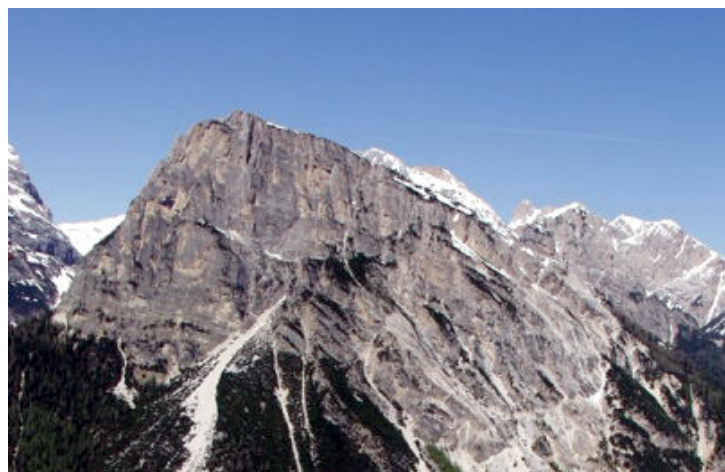
From the top, follow the long path no. 447 northwards down to the forestry road. This leads back to the car park.

LINKS

<http://cortina.dolomiti.org>

<http://www.planetmountain.com>

<http://www.guidecortina.com>



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